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SUBJECT: INTERVIEW WITH ECUADOREAN AMBASSADOR TO US CARDENAS

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1. SUMMARY: ECUADOREAN AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S. JOSE CORSINO CARDENAS, IN ECUADOR FOR CONSULTATIONS, GRANTED AN INTERVIEW TO EL COMERCIO, QUITO'S LARGEST DAILY, WHICH WAS ACCORDED THE LEAD HEADLINE AND ARTICLE IN THE JUNE 26TH ISSUE. IT WAS AN OBJECTIVE PRESENTATION OF THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN US AND ECUADOREAN POLICIES. NOWHERE DID HE CRITICISE US POLICIES OR LEADERS, AND ONLY IN DISCUSSING THE FISHING ISSUE DID HE SINGLE OUT A SPECIFIC SN CWXMN THE AMERICAN PUBLIC AS BEING LESS THAN FAIR TO ECUADOR. WITH RESPECT TO AMENDING THE TRADE REFORM ACT, HE SAID "A NEGATIVE ACTION (IN CONGRESS) WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY ADVERSELY AFFECT OUR TRADE RELATIONS, BUT I CONTINUE TO FEEL CONFIDENT THAT THERE WILL BE ROOM FOR UNDERSTANDING AND RESPECT FOR THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES." HE ALSO DREW ATTENTION TO "THE GROWING SENTIMENT IN THE US CONGRESS FOR ADOPTING A JURISDICTIONALY LIMIT OF 200 MILES FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFENDING ITS MARINE RESOURCES."

END SUMMARY.

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2. CARDENAS BEGAN BY NOTING THAT THERE NOW EXISTED A BASICALLY FAVORABLE DISPOSITION BETWEEN THE US AND ECUADOR TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THEM. THESE HE IDENTIFIED AS ECUADOR'S POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE 200-MILE LIMIT OF A TERRITORIAL SEA; VIOLATIONS OF ECUADOREAN-CLAIMED WATERS BY THE SAN DIEGO TUNA FLEET; AND PENALTIES IMPOSED BY THE US ON ECUADOR, SUCH AS EXCLUDING IT FROM GENERALIZED TARIFF PREFERENCES.

3. HE REMARKED THAT IT WAS NOT ALWAYS EASY TO FIND A COINCIDENCE OF VIEWS WITH THE US, WHOSE FOREIGN POLICY POSITIONS ARE DICTATED BY ITS OWN NATIONAL OBJECTIVES. ECUADOREAN OBJECTIVES HE DEFINED AS THE FULL EXERCISE OF SOVEREIGNTY OVER ITS NATURAL RESOURCES; THE UNWAVERING DEFENSE OF ITS TERRITORIAL SEA; ITS SOVEREIGN RIGHT TO ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH OTHER PRODUCERS OF RAW MATERIALS IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A BETTER TREATMENT IN INTERNATIONAL MARKETS; SUPPORT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW ECONOMIC ORDER WHICH WOULD REMOVE THE EXISTING IMBALANCE IN TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES; REJECTION OF THE PRACTICE OF IMPOSING PENALTIES AGAINST COUNTRIES WHICH DO NOT TOE A GIVEN LINE; AND ELIMINATION OF PRESSURES AND COERCION IN THE CONDUCT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN STATES.

4. CARDENAS EXPRESSED CONVICTION THAT ECUADOR HAD BEEN ABLE TO MAINTAIN AN ATTITUDE OF FIRMNESS AND DIGNITY IN DEFENDING ITS INTERESTS, AND WENT ON TO SAY "FOR A SMALL COUNTRY, LAW IS ITS BEST ALLY, AND A FIRM AND DIGNIFIED PROCLAMATION OF LAW AND ITS DEFENSE ARE A SMALL COUNTRY'S BEST FOREIGN POLICY."

5. CARDENAS CALLED SPECIFIC ATTENTION TO HIS EFFORTS TO DEFEND ECUADOREAN POLICY THROUGH CONTACTS WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, INTERVIEWS WITH THE PRESS, MEETINGS WITH PROMINENT BUSINESS AND POLITICAL LEADERS, AND IN HIS MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD (CREDENTIALS PRESENTATION CEREMONY).
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